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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice or disefaimer of the subject matter thereof.

Please add new claims 2-15 as follows:

2. A program writable IC card comprising:

a microprocessor;

a first memory which stores both a first program to be executed by said microprocessor and a decryption program, executable by said microprocessor, having a decryption function,

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